

# SOVIET REPUBLIC FAVORED

## Begin Violent Agitation For An Alliance With Russia.

London, March 17.—Independent socialists and communists in Germany have commenced a violent agitation in favor of a Soviet republic and an alliance with Soviet Russia, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

Copenhagen, March 17.—A telegram from Essen says that at the first sitting of the revolutionary workers' council held on Monday afternoon, a committee of 3 took over the conduct of affairs.

"Efforts are being made," adds the dispatch, "to secure common action of all three socialist parties for the lower Rhine district and Westphalia on the basis of a proletarian dictatorship."

The demonstrators whose activities have resulted in clashes with security guard in Hamburg are apparently spartanists, according to despatches from that city. In yesterday's hostilities the casualty list tallied 17 in killed and wounded.

A despatch from Oldenburg says that at Wilhelmshaven all the officers of the garrison whose attitude was "doubtful," namely about 400, were arrested at noon on Tuesday.

Basle, Switzerland, March 17.—A dispatch from Chemnitz, the industrial center in Saxony with a population of more than 200,000, says a report of workingmen's councils has been formed, comprising ten communists, six independent socialists, four majority socialists and one democrat.

All the Bourgeois papers in the city have been suppressed, the dispatch adds.

## ATTEMPTS TO GET "SUB" FAIL

### Fear Seas Will Drive H-1 Deep in Sand—Two Bodies Aboard.

San Diego, Cal., March 17.—Repeated attempts to tow to deeper water the submarine H-1, which grounded Saturday off Redondo Point, California Bay, with the loss of four lives, have failed through snapping of the lines, according to radio messages from Commander McQuay of the destroyer St. Louis, which is working with the work, he reported. Navy officers here expressed fear that the seas soon would drive the submarine so deeply into the sand it would be difficult to save her.

The body of Lieutenant Commander James R. Webb, killed when the H-1 grounded, was believed still to be aboard the boat, the messages said. The body of Seaman Joseph Kaufman had not been recovered. In addition to the Sinclair destroyer, Woolsey, fuel steamer Neptune and tug Sonora are standing by the H-1.

## LABOR LEADER FOUND DEAD

Chicago, March 17.—Chicago's labor leader, Maurice J. Hill, who was killed by a bullet from the body of Joe Hurley, labor leader and Enright's lieutenant, lying in the street in the south side "bad lands."

Hurley had been shot in the back during yesterday's riot.

A trail of blood led from the body to a nearby saloon noted as a gathering place for labor leaders.

Hurley was a pal of "Sonny" Dunn, brother-in-law of Enright, who recently forfeited his bonds in a grand larceny case and disappeared.

Frank McQuay, owner of the saloon to which the blood trail led, and John Cronin, his bartender, were arrested and are being held incommunicado.

Police also are hunting the owners of a car found spread over the body and a hat lying nearby. Both men are known.

## FELL ASLEEP ON CARS AND WOULD NOT PAY FARE

Meriden, Conn., March 17.—Michael Bartholomew, 24, of 22 Wood street, Waterbury, was fined \$40 by the police court today on charges of assault and evading railroad fare. He fell asleep traveling between Bridgeport and New Haven and when awakened by Conductor Jacob Zeitlinger of West Haven, leaving New Haven, he is alleged to have refused to pay his fare and to have punched and kicked the conductor. He was arrested when the train got here at 2:11 this morning.

## BOMB ATTACK ON CONSULATE FOR REVENGE

Geneva, March 17.—Police authorities declare that investigations they have made relative to the bombing of the American consulate at Zurich confirm their theory that the attack was a Bolshevik attempt at revenge for the deportation of Soviet sympathizers from the United States. Regret for the incident has already been expressed to Washington by the Swiss government.

## DeValera's Proclamation

Sons and Daughters of the Gael, wherever you be today, in the name of the Motherland, greeting!

Whatever flag be the flag you guard and cherish, it is consistent with your highest duty to band yourselves together, to use your united strength to help break the chains that bind our sweet and Mother.

And never before have the scattered children of Eire had such an opportunity for noble service. Today you can serve not only Ireland but the world.

A cruel war and a more cruel peace have shattered the generous of soul. Apathy mocks the high minded and heartless cynicism points the way of selfishness.

We, the children of a race that has never ceased to strive—that has endured for ages the blights of war and the disappointments of peace—who have had the cup of the fruition of hope dashed from our lips in every decade, and have not despaired whose temper has never soured, but who have always looked forward for the good in tomorrow—the world needs what we can give it today.

Once before our people gave their soul to a barbarian continent, and led brute materialism to an understanding of higher things. It is still our mission "to show the world of the night of moral beauty"—to teach mankind peace and happiness in keeping the law of love, doing to our neighbor what we would have our neighbor do to us.

We are the spear points of the hosts in political slavery—we can be the shafts of dawn for the despairing and the wretched everywhere.

And these of our race who are citizens of this mighty land of America, whose thought will help to mould the policy of the leader among the Nations—how much the world looks to you this St. Patrick's Day—hopes in you—trusts in you.

You can so easily accomplish that which is needed. You have only to have the will, the way is so clear. What would not the people in the old land give for the power which is yours.

May God and St. Patrick inspire you to use it, and to use it well.

EAMON DE VALERA.  
St. Patrick's Day, 1920.

## 25,000 Loyal Irishmen Honor Eamon De Valera

### GOV'T FAILED TO ESTABLISH CASE

#### Counsel For Bergdoll Will Not Offer Any Defense.

New York, March 17.—When the court martial of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, wealthy young Philadelphian charged with desertion because of his alleged failure to report for military service under the draft, was resumed on Governor's Island today his counsel announced that no defense would be offered as it believed the government had failed to establish its case. The defense then rested.

The announcement came as a great surprise to the prosecution. D. C. Gibbons, chief counsel for the defense asked the court to state the limit of punishment if the accused pleaded guilty but the request was refused.

Lieut. Colonel Charles C. Cresson, trial judge advocate, in his argument to the court, asked that a sentence of 30 years imprisonment be imposed upon the defendant. He declared that Bergdoll's offense was committed in time of war and that he was subject to wartime regulations.

America's railway payroll has increased one billion dollars in two years.

## Staff Inadequacy Abroad Held Up Maximum Efficiency

Washington, March 17.—Nearing the end of his long statement to the Senate investigating committee, Rear Admiral Sims today elaborated his charges that the inadequacy of his staff abroad prevented for several months' maximum efficiency in the United States naval participation in the war. He testified that he was unable to bring the navy department to a realization of the importance of his post and the necessity for providing a staff of the proper size to compile and digest allied naval information, and direct the early details of American co-operation on the seas.

Admiral Sims said he arrived in London in April, 1917, with but one aid and immediately realizing the magnitude of his task, he requested that three additional assistants be sent him at once. Before he received any reply, he was placed also in command of the destroyer force abroad and thereupon asked for three more aids, including a chief of staff, expecting that the request would be granted without question.

The last of April one officer arrived and was assigned to the destroyer base at Queenstown. Admiral Sims said, but no word came from the department regarding his request for at least six assistants. Throughout June he remained in ignorance of the department's plans and received no further aid, the officer said. An American civilian who had resigned from the navy in 1914 to enter in business in London volunteered to assist him, the Admiral said, and this man with his one aide comprised his entire London staff.

"My staff then was wholly inadequate even to code and decode messages to and from the department," he commented, "much less attempt to compile vitally necessary information."

In June a medical officer was ordered to his staff, the Admiral said, and about the same time Secretary Daniels cabled him authority to employ clerical assistants and spend money needed for the discharge of his duties but nothing was done regarding the officers he had asked sent to assist him in his technical duties.

In repeated messages, Admiral Sims said he urgently recommended that a special officer be detailed to the British admiralty to co-ordinate convoy plans but never received an answer.

Finally he detached the captain from a destroyer and assigned him to this duty.

"We had reached the limit of physical endurance," Admiral Sims said. "We were established in two small rooms at the embassy and despatches were pouring in on us and we were only that I were capable of doing."

While the colors of the Emerald Isle naturally predominated, the Stars and stripes led the parade, followed by the "fighting Irish 69th," formerly the 165th United States Infantry. These veterans of the world war, who covered themselves with glory on the battlefields of France, wore their overseas equipment and steel helmets. Wounded members of the regiment rode in automobiles. Every Irish-American organization here was represented in the colorful procession.

Between the great gothic towers of the stately cathedral floated the American flag and the tri-color of the republic. In addition to "President" DeValera, Governor Alfred E. Smith, former Governor Lynn, Mayor Hyman, Archbishop Hayes and a host of Catholic dignitaries were invited to the parade a pontifical mass was celebrated in the cathedral.

The festivities of the day included a dinner by the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick tonight, a ball by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and dances by the Daughters of Erin and other societies.

## NOSKE BELIEVES HE CAN RESTORE NORMAL ORDER

London, March 17.—Gustav Noske, Minister of Defense in the Ebert government, is confident of his ability to restore normal conditions in Germany within a comparatively brief time, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch quoting an interview with him at Stuttgart.

"Large contingents of imperial defense troops at our disposal," Noske is quoted as declaring, "I am confident we will succeed in restoring order in Germany within six or eight days."

## KILLED WOMAN WITH TOY REINS

### Body Found in Trunk By Sister—Brother-in-Law Missing.

New Britain, Conn., March 17.—The dead body of her sister, Mrs. George Evans, 29, was found hidden in a trunk in her apartment this morning by Mrs. Albert W. Powell of 632 West Main street, with whom she and her husband boarded. The husband, Evans, whose age is 26, is being sought by the police.

According to Mrs. Powell, the last time she saw her sister was at eleven o'clock yesterday morning, and he last seen of Evans was at 12:30 p. m. yesterday. He was discharged from a hospital yesterday.

This morning Mrs. Powell entered her sister's room and noticed her clothes strewn about essayed to pick them up. In trying to move a trunk she was astonished at its weight and on opening made the gruesome discovery. The woman had evidently been dead about 18 or 20 hours. Death was caused by strangulation, the murder with the reins of a toy horse with which Mrs. Evans' four year son used while at play.

Mrs. Powell can give no motive for her sister's murder. She says she was married to Evans at the age of 14 years and the couple have lived together for six years.

## 6,600 VOLTS GO THROUGH BODY

### Coulter Shockingly Burned At Light's Co.'s Power Plant.

While painting around a generator at the power plant of the United Illuminating Co., yesterday afternoon, Walter Coulter, whose local address the authorities have so far been unable to learn, had his hands and arms charged with 6,600 volts and was knocked from the staging 20 feet to the concrete floor below, receiving injuries which proved almost fatal.

The shockkeepers near the war office there closed their places of business when it was heard the allies were coming, but the troops inspired confidence and the stores were soon reopened.

All the allied powers participated in the movement being under orders from the British commander in chief here, the Italian contingent including, detachments having Muslims on their rosters. Four thousand bluejackets and marines were landed by British warships.

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When Coulter struck the concrete floor he landed on his right leg and the electric power he was sustaining a fracture of the skull and a compound fracture of the right leg. It is thought that he may have several broken ribs also.

The accident happened about 1:30 yesterday and because of it the electric power for the city was interrupted for a period of about 20 minutes.

At the Bridgeport hospital this afternoon it was said that Coulter was in fair condition and showed improvement.

## MYSTERIOUS WOMAN STIRS UP CURIOSITY

Amerongen, March 17.—Considerable excitement was caused here on Sunday by an attempt by a mysterious German woman to visit former Emperor William. She appeared at the gates of Benteck Castle but was denied admittance and later had a conversation with the steward of the castle, leaving a bouquet of flowers for Count Hohenhausen.

There were rumors that her name was Kapp, which is the name of the chancellor of the new German government, but there is no confirmation of this report as yet.

The former emperor still is engaged in sawing wood and has not been permitted to leave the castle, even for a visit at Doorn since Saturday.

## WALKER SAYS HIS SON JOHN IS NOT DEAD

Andrew Walker, of 202 Monroe street, appeared at the City Hall and asked that the name of John Walker, taken from the City Honor Roll in the lobby of the City Hall whereon are inscribed the names of those Bridgeporters who lost their lives in the war.

Mr. Walker stated that his son had been in service overseas and had been wounded but had been invalided to this country and is at present in the hospital in New Haven.

## SEEK REOPENING OF INVESTIGATION ON ASSEMBLYMEN

Albany, March 17.—Reopening of the investigation of the charges of disloyalty against the five socialist assemblymen was requested in a resolution introduced in the assembly today by Louis A. Cuvillier, Democrat, of New York, on the ground that "the Attorney General of the state had suppressed evidence."

## COURT DECISION COST GOVERNMENT NEAR \$25,000,000

Washington, March 17.—The total loss to the government as a result of the supreme court's decision that stock dividends are not taxable will not exceed \$25,000,000, the opinion of most treasury experts.

# KAPP RESIGNS DICTATORSHIP

## Steamship Wrecked Crew Of 30 In Peril

### BRIDE VISITED STAR BOARDER

#### Referee Satisfied Husband Had Proven Infidelity.

Halifax, March 17.—The British steamship Tewkesbury was wrecked last night in St. Mary's bay, New Brunswick. Her crew of 30 men who took to the ship's boats are said to be in peril, because of the precipitous cliffs which line the shore in that vicinity.

The Tewkesbury went ashore at 2:30 this morning, and immediately began to break up. Thirty-seven minutes after the wireless operator had reported her aground he sent a message stating that the crew had been forced to take to the boats.

The position of the wreck is given as four miles northwest of Cape Pine. At this point the shore is lined by cliffs rising 200 feet from the water's edge. It will require several hours for assistance to reach the men from the nearest available source.

## BANDITS GET \$12,000 PAYROLL

Cleveland, O., March 17.—Two armed bandits entered the Loraine avenue branch of the Cleveland Trust Co. when the bank opened this morning, held up Cashier George Travnikar while he was making up a payroll, secured \$12,000 in cash and escaped in a automobile.

## Allies Occupy Constantinople; Warships Cleared For Action

Constantinople, March 17.—Allied troops have occupied this city and the great guns of the British dreadnought Benbow and other giant allied warships, moored to quays or anchored in the Golden Horn, command both sides of the Bosphorus. Every ship is cleared for action.

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## TAKE PICTURES OF PRESIDENT

Washington, March 17.—Photographers were permitted to take their first pictures of President Wilson today since his return from his Western trip last September. The President was photographed as he left the White House grounds on his fifth automobile ride since he went to bed in October "a very sick man."

The President was accompanied on his ride today by Mrs. Wilson and Rear Admiral Grayson, his physician.

## WATER OF WELL WHERE LINCOLN SLAKED THIRST

Bloomington, Ill., March 17.—Water from a well from which Abraham Lincoln many times slaked his thirst, will be used to christen the ship "Evergreen City," at Bristol, Pa., next Saturday. Miss Margaret Penton, chosen by popular ballot as the official representative of Bloomington at the launching, will take with her a bottle of the water to break against the hull as the vessel starts down the ways.

The well from which the bottle was filled for Miss Penton is at the former home of Colonel Hogg, a life long friend of Lincoln. Lincoln visited at the home many times and drank from the well when on trips riding the circuit during his early law practice.

## LIVING STATISTICS ARE PRESENTED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

New York, March 17.—Volumes of statistics concerning the high cost of living were presented for consideration today at the conference of the sub-committee of anthracite coal miners and operators appointed to negotiate a new wage agreement in the hard coal fields. Statistics on output and earnings were also presented by both sides.

Members of the committee said there was little hope of definite action on the miners' demand of a 60 per cent. increase in wages until a settlement has been announced by President Wilson in the bituminous miners wage question.

"The Passion Flower" and "Apple Blossoms" are the horticultural exhibits in the New York theatres, and the girls of the two companies have formed a "Flower of the Profession Club." Which is a cute idea.

## BAVARIA HAS NEW MINISTRY

Munich, March 17.—A new ministry has been formed in Bavaria headed by Dr. Von Kahr, who takes the portfolio of foreign affairs in addition to the premiership. Heinrich Ernst Mueller of Muenchen, a democrat who previously has been reported as the man who would form the ministry, had been made minister of justice. Herr Kofler becomes minister of finance. The ministry is a coalition of the democrats and the popular parties. Previous to its formation Dr. Von Kahr had been named president by the diet.

## STABS FELLOW WORKER IN EYE

Becoming involved in an argument at the Winter quarters this morning over some water soiled on the floor of a room, a man named Dixon, a fellow employee of Houser's.

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## Expressions of Confidence in Restoration of Ebert Government

### —Increasing Spartan Disorders—List of Killed Mounts to Hundreds.

(By the A. P.)

The Kapp administration at Berlin, realizing the futility of attempting to hold the reins of power, has decided to give up a short lived dictatorship. At one o'clock this afternoon Chancellor Kapp decided to resign according to official advices from the German capital.

Expressions of confidence in the speedy restoration of the Ebert government to complete control came from the headquarters of that government in Stuttgart. Minister of Defense Noske is quoted as declaring he expects with the aid of his troops to secure the return of normal conditions in six or eight days.

Meanwhile, however, the forces of extreme "radicalism" are asserting themselves in various German centers. There are increasing reports of disorders and growing talk among the radicals of the possibility of utilizing the present disturbed conditions to establish Soviet rule.

The list of killed reported from numerous German towns and cities in clashes between demonstrators and troops is mounting to the hundreds.

There has been no direct confirmation of Tuesday night's reports of 400 killed in a bombardment of Kiel by a warship but there are apparently veracious reports of 100 killed and 300 wounded at Dresden, probably more than 100 killed in Berlin suburbs, and the killing of from a half dozen to a score of persons in others of the 24 or more German centers where clashes have been reported.

Paris, March 17.—The news that came through during the night from Berlin and other German towns telling of sanguinary clashes at Bielefeld, Dortmund, Leipzig, Mannheim, Frankfurt and Brunswick, together with a report that a council of workmen had assumed power at Chemnitz, has given the impression here that there is more to be feared from a revival of the spartan movement than from the activities of the Kapp government in Berlin.

According to the latest despatches the military movement that resulted in bloodshed in 24 German towns, spartanists are reported to have arisen in Dresden where a clash with troops is declared to have resulted in a casualty list of 100 dead and 300 wounded. Fighting in Hamburg, Hamburg and Kiel also is reported.

A mob has stormed French headquarters at Bonn and has pillaged stores and private houses, says a Berlin despatch to the Journal. The disorder began by an attack on a French military automobile truck, the driver and several French military officers narrowly escaping being lynched. Police officers were obliged to fire upon the mob, the despatch says.

Fifty-nine persons have been killed and upwards of a hundred wounded in disorders at Treves, in the American zone of occupation southwest of Coblenz, according to advices received here. Several figures for the casualties in the fighting at Dresden are said to show that more than 100 were killed and 300 wounded.

London, March 17.—Machine gun firing was heard in Berlin between 11 and 12 o'clock last night, says a message to the Exchange Telegraph Company today from the German capital.

During the day a detachment of soldiers passed through the Brunnenstrasse in Berlin, playing a band playing "Heil Dir Im Siegerkranz." Workmen immediately charged the troops and a skirmish ensued in which a number of men were killed and others wounded, the message adds.

At Spandau 69 persons, nearly all workmen, were reported killed and the fighting is continuing.

The correspondent reports that big trucks are constantly passing through the streets, loaded down with armed soldiers who point their guns in the direction of the sidewalk. Workmen immediately charged the troops and a skirmish ensued in which a number of men were killed and others wounded, the message adds.

A military patrol at Goerlitz, Prussian Silesia, having been driven back by a crowd, fired and killed two civilians, according to a despatch from Berlin under Monday's date.

The government at Chemnitz and Schwerin have signed a declaration that they are ready to retire in order to avoid bloodshed, the despatch says.

General Watter, commander of the Reichswehr in the Rhemish Westphalian industrial region, has convened the workmen's councils to aid in maintaining order.

Copenhagen, March 16.—Hamburg and its western suburbs, Altona, are definitely in the hands of the followers of the Ebert government of Germany, according to a dispatch to the Social Democrats. General Von Vansenheim, who was defeated and captured in joining the Ebert troops loyal to the Ebert regime.

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